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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Chairman, National Intelligence Council *JK*

FROM : Hans Heymann, Jr.
National Intelligence Officer at Large

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Elements of Strength"

1. We are pleased to report that the "upbeat" paper on the US in the global economy that we issued recently has evoked a number of appreciative responses -- both oral and in writing. Several of these have urged that we put out the paper in an unclassified form (see two letters attached) in order to stimulate more debate on the competitiveness issue. Indeed, on a number of occasions we found that the paper has stirred strong emotions pro and con, and that ensuing discussions have proved most fruitful. Discussions, for example, with Lionel Olmer and his staff revealed a considerable spread of opinion that vigorous debate succeeded in narrowing.

2. If you approve, we could reprint the paper as an unclassified publication without attribution of individual or institutional authorship. We would send it to the large number of businessmen and scholars with whom the Agency maintains contact, inviting their comments.

Hans

Hans Heymann, Jr.

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FROM : H. Heymann, Jr.
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In reply refer to:
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Mr. Hans Heyman, Jr.
National Intelligence Council
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Hans,

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of your very thorough and stimulating study. As you are aware, there are considerable pressures now for protectionistic measures which are largely based on a pessimistic outlook for US competitiveness--measures which would affect our relationships with many of the nations that are of crucial importance to US national security. Your study presents the US's competitiveness prospects more optimistically than similar assessments by others.

The study's brief coverage of foreign economic assistance addresses a topical subject for me. From my viewpoint, we should not necessarily consider such assistance to be only a burden; it can and does provide us with opportunities to influence events and relationships.

It is a pity that the study has to be classified as I feel that it could contribute positively to the debate on US competitiveness (for example, the current work being done with regard to high technology industries). I would appreciate five more copies of the study for distribution to my regional desks--its clarity and cogency will assist them in appreciating the economic aspects of the world in which we are conducting our national security affairs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F. West", is written over the typed name.

FRANCIS J. WEST, JR.
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

June 1, 1982

Mr. Hans Heymann, Jr.
National Intelligence Officer at Large
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C.

Dear Hans:

I am now reading your very encouraging NIC memorandum on "The United States in the World Economy: Elements of Strength." I believe it would be most useful if you could prepare an unclassified version. Apart from some of the judgments on particular countries, that ought to be able to be done with relatively few deletions. I think it would be most helpful if this report could be given a very wide circulation.

As you know, we are often so collectively moody--euphoric or distressed about our global prospects. It is very valuable to see a contribution based on careful examination of the figures that swims against the current falling tide of pessimism on national economic accomplishments. That metaphor may be a bit sick, but I am sure you grasp my meaning.

Excellent job and a most useful contribution particularly at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ernest".

Ernest Johnston
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Economic and Business Affairs